Telecast of late night films

1827. SHRI PRAMOD MAHAJAN: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to refer to reply to Unstarred Question 750 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 13th November, 1987 and state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the telecast of late night films is going to be resumed by the Doordarshan very soon;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof; and

(c) if not, what are the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI H. K. L BHAGAT): (a) and (b) It has been decided in principle to re-start the telecast. However, the date for resumption has not yet been decided.

(c) Does not arise.

Setting up of Urban Development and Urban Water Supply Financing Corporation

1828. SHRI HARVENDRA SINGH HANSPAL: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to refer to answer to Unstarred Question 473 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 26th February, 1988 and state what are the details of Urban Development and Urban Water Supply Financing Corporation proposed to be set up and to what extent the acute problem of housing and other development schemes are likely to be solved thereby?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI DALBIR SINGH): The details of Urban Development and Urban Water Supply Financial Corporation proposed to be set up have not yet been finalized.

Setting up of Bureau of Indian Standards laboratories

1829. SHRI HARVENDRA SINGH HANSPAL: Will the Minister of FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES be pleased to state:

(a) whether a large number of laboratories set up by the Bureau of Indian Standards (BIS) have been functioning in the country to ensure quality of products;

(b) if so, the names of place where these laboratories are presently functioning;

(c) whether Government propose to boost the laboratory network of the Bureau and also propose to draw up a long term perspective plan; and

(d) if so, details thereof?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES (SHRI D. L. BAITHA): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) BIS has Central Laboratory at Sahibabad (Ghaziabad Distt.) and Laboratories at Bombay, Calcutta, Madras, Mohali (near Chandigarh), Patna and Guwahati.

(c) and (d) During the Seventh Plan, it had been proposed to establish a laboratory each in Bangalore and Gandhinagar (Gujarat) and to expand the laboratories in Calcutta and Madras. The Plan also envisaged to commence construction of laboratory building at Kanpur. The building for Bangalore laboratory has already been completed and construction of the building at Gandhinagar has commenced. Initial work for expansion at Calcutta and Madras has been taken up. A long-term Perspective Plan is under preparation which will cover the following aspects:—

(1) Testing needs of the country comprising of consumer products testing, assistance to small scale industries, independent test facilities required, etc.